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The supplemental (remanded) examiner's answer is identical to the original examiner's answer but the *In re Schneller* rejections have been withdrawn. No new issues have been considered raised in the supplemental examiner's answer.

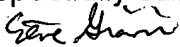
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